Governor's Executive Orders/Proclamations

EXECUTIVE ORDER 99-2 ESTABLISHING A GOVERNOR'S TRANSPORTATION VISION 21 TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, a well-developed, reliable transportation system is acknowledged to be crucial to the growth and economic vitality of the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, a high-quality transportation system is essential to the continued development and enhancement of intrastate, as well as interstate commerce; and

WHEREAS, an efficient transportation system is more than public highways and roadways. It is a comprehensive network of multimodal components that work together to provide the orderly transportation of goods, services and people; and

WHEREAS, the development, funding and maintenance of an efficient and effective transportation system is a shared responsibility of the state, local governments and agencies, and the federal government; and

WHEREAS, due to the expanding economy and rapid population growth in the State of Arizona, there exists an urgent need to evaluate existing processes, resources and infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, the Seventieth Arizona Town Hall, recognizing the crucial need for transportation evaluation and planning, called for the establishment of a Governor's Task Force to build consensus and recommend planning and funding strategies for Arizona's multimodal transportation future.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor by the Arizona Constitution and the laws of the State, do hereby establish the Governor's Transportation Vision 21 Task Force (Governor's Vision-21 Task Force) to serve the purpose of evaluating current practices, resources and infrastructures, and recommending and prioritizing the goals, funding, and specific plans that will establish a vision for transportation in Arizona for the 21st century.

- 1. Ihe members of the Iask Force shall be appointed by the Governor and will serve at the pleasure of the Governor for up to two years
 - a. The Task Force membership will include two Co-chairs to be named by the Governor.
 - b. The Task Force will include the Director of the Arizona Department of Transportation and atlarge members representing the business community, the general public and other diverse parties interested in the improvement of Arizona's transportation system.
 - c. The Department of Transportation will serve as staff to the Task Force.
- 2. The Task Force shall identify critical, long-range transpor-

tation needs in both rural and urban areas of this state. The Task Force shall develop preliminary estimates of the long-term (minimum of twenty years) cost of implementing a comprehensive, multimodal, long-range transportation system plan and compare the estimated cost to estimated revenues from existing federal, state and local transportation funding streams

- 3 The Task Force shall identify and recommend planning approaches and funding strategies to be used to establish a comprehensive, fully integrated, multimodal system that serves the future transportation needs of all of Arizona. The Task Force should consider all aspects of transportation, including but not limited to, public roadways, highways, bus service, passenger rail service, aviation, bicycle and travel reduction programs. The Task Force's strategies or recommendations should address both rural and urban transportation issues, as well as freight concerns throughout the state
- 4. The Task Force shall study and recommend guidelines and procedures for prioritizing Arizona's transportation needs and expenditures in relationship to the responsibilities of the Arizona Transportation Board, the Arizona Department of Transportation, local governments throughout the State and local planning agencies.
- 5 The Iask Force shall review the structure and responsibilities, with regard to transportation planning, of the State Iransportation Board, the Arizona Department of Transportation, local governments throughout the state, and local planning agencies, and include any recommended changes in its final report
- 6. The Task Force shall submit an interim report on or before December 15, 1999, and a final report to the Governor by December 31, 2000. Both reports shall contain "consensus" findings and recommendations of the Task Force. The reports will be made available to Arizona's congressional delegation, the members of the Arizona State Legislature, state, county and local transportation departments, the state's universities and the private sector, including community and citizens groups.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

Jane Dee Hull Governor

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this Ninth day of February in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninetynine and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-Third

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ATTEST:

Betsey Bayless Secretary of State